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STATE OF MONTANA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER 7-90

Executive Order Continuing the Existence of the Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities Advisory Council

WHEREAS, effective and efficient use of human resources is of deep concern to all citizens of the State of Montana; and

WHEREAS, employment of Montana's disabled citizens promotes their economic independence; and

WHEREAS, the employment needs of Montana's disabled citizens are diverse and require active involvement of the public and private sector; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that employment programs involving the disabled be coordinated at the state level; and

WHEREAS, it is important to have a concerned and cohesive group of persons to apprise the state on a frequent and continuing basis concerning the special employment needs of the disabled people of Montana.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STAN STEPHENS, Governor of the State of Montana, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the laws of the State of Montana, do hereby continue the existence of the Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities Advisory Council.

I. PURPOSE

The Council shall:

- 1. Advise the Governor's Office on issues which affect the employment of people with disabilities.
- 2. Promote the development of maximum employment opportunities for disabled Montanans with particular emphasis on employment by state government agencies.
- 3. Identify specific problems affecting employment of people with disabilities and target these problems for action.
- 4. Provide a forum for the exchange of information on issue affecting the employment of people with disabilities.
- 5. Promote economic independence of disabled Montanans by undertaking activities designed to increase employer acceptance and employment of people with disabilities.
- 6. Formally recognize individuals, employers and organizations for significant contributions related to employment of people with disabilities.
- 7. Encourage cooperative working relationships between organizations/agencies/departments which provide services to people with disabilities.
- 8. Support cooperative affiliations with the President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities and with other states' governor's committees on employment of people with disabilities.

Support cooperative affiliations with local communities and organizations which share the Council's objectives concerning employment of people with disabilities.

II. COMPOSITION

There shall be fifteen voting members appointed to the Council as follows:

Disabled Advocacy and Advisory Organization Members

Mr. H. P. Brown Developmental Disabilities Planning & Advisory Council 2733 Fern Drive Great Falls, MT 59404

Mr. Fred Fisher Department of Institutions 1539 Eleventh Avenue Helena, MT 59620

Mr. Brett Vieke Council Representative 413 Travonia Butte, MT 59701

Visual Services Advisory

Private Sector Employer Members

Mr. Lowell Bartels McDonalds Restaurants 2021 11th Avenue, Suite 15 Helena, MT 59601

Mr. Wade Johnston Johnston Industrial Corp. 1916 Maple Missoula, MT 59801

Members at Large

Mr. Ron Garbarino, AFL/CIO Project Challenge-Work Again 125 West Granite, Suite 102 Butte, MT 59701

Mr. William Heinecke Eagle Mountain Sports for Disabled Program 306 N. Hoffman Belgrade, MT 59714

Public Sector Employer Members

Ms. Julia Robinson Director's Office Room 301, SRS Building 111 Sanders Helena, MT 59620

Disabled American Veterans
V. A. Medical C Mr. William Comp V. A. Medical Center Fort Harrison, MT 59636

Mr. Robert LeMieux Rehabilitative Services Advisory Council Representative 3424 12th Avenue South Great Falls, MT 59401

Mr. Pat Goodover Goodover Enterprises 803 Forest Avenue Great Falls, MT 59404

Mr. Ron McDonald U.S. West Communications, Inc. 701 North Main Helena, MT 59601

Ms. Judy Harris MT Independent Living Project 38 S. Last Chance Gulch Helena, MT 59601

Ms. Linda Valentine Yellowstone Boys & Girls Ranch 2050 Overland Avenue Billings, MT 59102

Mr. Gary Garlock Billings Public Schools 415 North 30th Billings, MT 59101-1298

Ex-Officio Members

Mr. Mark Bowlds
Dept. of Labor and Industry
Job Service Division
Old Board of Health Building
Helena, MT 59620

Mr. James Whealon Office of Public Instruction 1300 11th Avenue Helena, MT 59620

Mr. Dennis Taylor Department of Family Services 48 North Last Chance Gulch Helena, MT 59620

The Chairman and Vice Chairman shall be elected by Committee members at the first meeting of the Committee under this Executive Order.

All Council members shall serve a term of two years concurrent with the period covered by this Executive Order.

All Council members shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

III. MEETINGS

The Council shall meet quarterly to assure that appropriate attention is given to the employment needs of disabled Montanans.

A majority of the members of the Council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

IV. COMPENSATION

Members of the Council who are state employees will serve without compensation.

At the discretion of the Director of the Department of Administration, the members from the private sector may be paid not more than \$25.00 for each day engaged in Council duties and may be paid normal state-rate expenses incurred in attending meetings or in attending functions approved by the Council.

The Rehabilitative Services Advisory Council, the Visual Services Advisory Council, and the Developmental Disabilities Planning and Advisory Council are each responsible for the normal expenses incurred by any of their members appointed to this Council.

V. ADMINISTRATION

The Department of Administration shall provide administrative support necessary to permit the Council to function in the most effective manner possible. An executive Director for the Council shall be provided by the Department of Administration. The current Executive Director is:

Ms. Linda Currie State Personnel Division Room 130, Mitchell Building Helena, MT 59620 (406) 444-3871

VI. DURATION OF THE COUNCIL

This Council shall remain in existence for a period of two (2) years from the effective date of this Order.

This Order is effective February 9, 1990.

GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT SEAL, of the State of Montana, this 23rd day of Capril, in the year of our LORD, One Thousand, Nine Hundred and Ninety.

STAN STEPHENS, Governor

ATTEST:

MIKE COONEY, Secretary of State